GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - State Tax Dept.,- Surprise check on the Integrated Check Post, Purushothtapuram, Itchapuram Mandal, Srikakulam District on 21-12-2013 - Certain irregularities noticed - Articles of charges framed - Written Statements of defense received - Case entrusted to Commissioner of Inquiries - Inquiring Authority - Appointed - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.539 **Dt.01-06-2023**

Read the following:-

1. From DG., ACB, Lr.No.51/DES-VSK/2013-S,12 Dt:22-01-2015.
2. Government Memo No.2569/Vig.II(3)/2015, dt.26-03-2015.
3. Act 29 of 2022 to repeal the Andhra Pradesh civil services (Disciplinary Proceedings Tribunal) Act, 1960 and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto published in AP Gazette, Part-IV-B Extraordinary No.29, Amaravati, dt:22.12.2022.
4. G.O.Ms.No.98, GA(Ser.E) Department, dt:18.08.2022
5. U.O.Note No.1878240/GAD/CoI-R/2022-22 Dt.17-2-2023

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the DG., ACB, has informed that based on credible information that the staff working at the integrated Check Post in Purushothampuram Itchapuram Mandal, Srikakulam, are involved in corrupt practices, they have been collecting illegal payments, known as 'mamools,' from the crew of transport vehicles passing through the check post, a surprise inspection was conducted on 21.12.2013 on the counters maintained by the CT Department (Counter Nos. 1 & 2), Transport Department (Counter No. 3), and the Agricultural Marketing Committee (Counter No. 4). During the inspection, certain irregularities were discovered. As a result, the D.G., ACB recommended initiating disciplinary proceedings against the staff working at the Check Post for violating the APCS (Conduct) Rules,1964., by placing the Charged Officers on their defence before TDP (Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings)."

2. Whereas, in reference 3rd read above, the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Disciplinary Proceedings Tribunal) Act of 1960 was abolished. Consequently, all cases that were pending before the aforementioned Tribunal on the specified date were transferred to the Commissionerate of Inquiries (COI) to ensure the continuation of the ongoing proceedings.

3. In the reference 4th read above, the Commissionerate of Inquiries have nominated Dr. P.Lakshmi Narasimham, IAS (Retd.), Member, Commissioner of Inquiries as an Inquiry Authority to inquire into the charges filed against the Charged Officers viz., 1) V.Appala Naidu, DCTO, AO, 2) P.Ananda Rao, DCTO, 3) G.V.R.Prasad, ACTO, 4) Domburu Behara, ACTO and 5) Kuna Srinivas, Jr.Asst O/o. ICP, Purushottapuram, Itchapuram, Srikakulam, who were involved in corrupt practices at the integrated Check Post in Purushothampuram Itchapuram Mandal, Srikakulam.

4. Accordingly, Government in exercise of the powers conferred by sub- rule (2) of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, hereby appoint Dr P.Lakshmi Narasimham, IAS (Retd.) Member, Commissioner of Inquiries as an Inquiry Authority to Inquire into the charges filed against the Charged Officers viz. 1) V.Appala Naidu, DCTO, AO, 2) P.Ananda Rao, DCTO, 3) G.V.R.Prasadh, ACTO, 4) Domburu Behara, ACTO and 5) Kuna Srinivas, Jr.Asst. O/o. ICP, Purushottapuram, Itchapuram, Srikakulam. And he is directed to

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complete the enquiry within the stipulated period and furnish the Inquiry Report to the Government for taking further action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
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Copy to:
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(6) The CCST, A.P., Kunchanapalli, Guntur.
(7) The DG, ACB., Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
(8) The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi, Guntur District.
(9) The General Administration(COI) Dept, A.P. Secretariat
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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER